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7. (Amended) A coating material according to claim 1, characterized in that the binding agent includes a lacquer which forms an elastic film during the drying of the coating material.

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- 8.(Amended) A coating material according to claim 1, characterized in that the solvent content of the coating material is 30% or more by weight.
- 9. (Amended) A coating material according to claim 1, characterized in that the coating material contains a proportion of an elastomer.

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11. (Amended) Use of a coating material according to claim 1 for making sealing_elements on surfaces of metal sheets.

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13. (Amended) The use according to claim 11, characterized in that the binding agent is thermally decomposed.

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14. (Amended) A single or multi-layer seal with one or more sealing elements, which are made on one of the surfaces of one of the metal layers, from a coating material according to claim 1.